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FROM:

DARYL L. OSBY, FIRE CHIEF

REQUEST FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY FROM THE CITY OF DOWNEY

We have received a request from the City of Downey (City) for a Feasibility Study to determine the service level and associated costs of the Fire District's providing fire protection and related services to the City. The Fire District currently surrounds the City of Downey, with the exception of the border they share with Santa Fe Springs. Downey Fire Department currently operates four fire stations, protecting 110,000 residents.

City staff will complete a questionnaire detailing the basic information needed to evaluate service delivery, liability and other risk exposures, financial solvency, etc. Upon our receipt of the completed questionnaire, a preliminary service level configuration will be developed to assess service and financial benefits to Los Angeles County, District, and City residents, if any.

If mutual benefits can be realized, a Feasibility Study will be prepared for your Board's consideration. The Study will include a description of the benefits to the County and Fire District, an evaluation of the City's solvency, and an evaluation of any increased County risk exposure and costs, pursuant to the Guidelines and Processes for Requests for District Services adopted by your Board on July 13, 2010. A Feasibility Study should take approximately six weeks to complete from the time the questionnaire is returned to the Fire District. Upon completion, the Feasibility Study will be submitted with recommendations to your Honorable Board.

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In the interim, if you have any questions, please contact me at (323) 881-6180 or your staff may contact Debbie Aguirre, Chief, Planning Division, at (323) 881-2404.

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